

CLAIMS

What is claimed:

1. An apparatus for supporting a fishing pole, the apparatus comprising:  
a support plate;  
a first arm extending from the support plate, wherein the first arm comprises a slot;  
and  
a second arm extending from the support plate and spaced apart from the first arm, wherein the second arm comprises a slot;  
wherein the first arm is oriented in a first position, and the second arm is oriented in a position that is inverted with respect to the first position;  
whereby a fishing rod that is positionable in the first and second slots is restrained from movement out of the slots when an end thereof is sufficiently weighted.
2. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the sufficient weighting is provided by a reel being coupled to the end of the fishing rod.
3. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second arms are releasably coupled to the support plate.
4. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first and second arms are integrally molded with the support plate.
5. An apparatus for supporting a fishing pole, the apparatus comprising:  
a support plate;  
a first member extending from the support plate, wherein the first member supports at least a part of a fishing rod placed thereagainst; and  
a second member extending from the support plate and spaced apart from the first member, wherein the second member supports at least a part of a fishing rod placed thereagainst;

wherein the orientation of the first and second members is such that a fishing rod positioned against the first and second members is restrained from movement away from the members when an end of the fishing rod is sufficiently weighted.

6. The apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the sufficient weighting is provided by a reel being coupled to the end of the fishing rod.

7. The apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the first and second members are comprised of plastic.

8. The apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein the first and second members are comprised of wire.

9. An apparatus for supporting a fishing pole, the apparatus comprising:  
a support plate;  
a first member extending from the support plate, wherein the first member supports at least a part of a fishing rod placed thereagainst; and  
a second member extending from the support plate and spaced apart from the first member, wherein the second member supports at least a part of a fishing rod placed thereagainst;

wherein the orientation of the first and second members is such that a fishing rod positioned against the first and second members is restrained from movement away from the members when a sufficient force is applied to an end of the fishing rod.

10. The apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein the apparatus includes means for being secured essentially about a user's waist, and when the apparatus is secured essentially about the user's waist, the apparatus is positioned such that:

a slot formed in the first member is invertedly oriented with respect to a slot formed in the second member;

wherein a fishing rod positioned in the first and second slots is restrained from movement out of the slots when an end thereof is sufficiently weighted.

11. The apparatus as claimed in claim 10, wherein the sufficient weighting is provided by a reel being coupled to the end of the fishing rod.